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PETITION AND FEE FOR ONE-MONTH TIME EXTENSION

Sir:

With reference to the above-identified application, and pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), applicant hereby respectfully requests that this application be granted a one-month time extension to August 15, 2004.

This request for time extension is filed concurrently with an Office Action

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17, please charge \$110.00 to deposit account 02-1653. It is Amendment. requested that any fees required or any shortages in any fees due, now or at any time during I no Ext. of free fee thanked KRW 8/1/64 the examination of this application, also be charged to Deposit Account 02-1653.

Respectfully submitted,

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